



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Aarts

Serial No.: 08/486,839

Filed: June 7, 1995

For: A HUMAN CHITINASE, ITS
RECOMBINANT PRODUCTION,
ITS USE FOR DECOMPOSING
CHITIN, ITS USE IN THERAPY
OR PROPHYLAXIS AGAINST
INFECTION DISEASES

Examiner: Whisenant, E.

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Washington, DC 20231

DECLARATION

Sir:

I, Johannes Maria Franciscus Gerardus Aarts, reside at Sandbergstraat 3, 1391 EJ

Abcoude, the Netherlands, declare and say:

1. I am the sole inventor of U S Application Serial No. 08/486,839 filed on
June 7, 1995.

2. I am a co-author of the following publication:

Rankema et al., "Purification and Characterization of
Human Chitotriosidase, A Novel Member of the Chitinase
Family of Proteins," The Journal of Biological Chemistry
Vol. 270 No. 5, 3198-2202 (February 3, 1995).

I confirm that with respect to the publication set out above, I am the sole
inventor of the subject matter disclosed in the publication. The scientific work relating to
the subject matter disclosed in the publication was conducted at the Department of
Biochemistry (Academic Medical Center/E.C. Slater Institute, University of Amsterdam,
the Netherlands) under my supervision and direction.

All the other co-authors of the publication made technical contributions under my supervision and direction. Specifically, co-authors Herma G. Rankema and Rolf T. Boot were students. Co-author Wilma E. Denker-Koopman was employed as a technician. Co-author Anton O. Muijsers was in charge of the facility for peptide sequencing. None of these co-authors are co-inventors of the subject matter disclosed in the publication.

3. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge and are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. Further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under §101 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application of any patent issued thereon.

Date:

9/07/97
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